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RE; Bishop Tube Co.

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Dear Sir,

My name is (b) (6) I grew up in General Warren village starting in 1958, and my mother still lives in the same home there. I started working at Bishop Tube Co. Sep, 11<sup>th</sup> 1972 until 1989..

I have grave concerns as to how this cleanup has been overlooked by the DEP. We still have many questions and health concerns with the proposed plan for O'Neil's partial cleanup.

We are told O Neil is only removing soil in three areas down to the bedrock, which will leave most of the TCE still there in and under the bedrock.

Then Who is going to pay to have the Acid Septic Tanks removed with the soil around them with heavy metals and salts ? Please note State notes show they have been aware of the problems with fluoride showing up in Valley Creek that was traced back to Bishops pickling operations in 1972. ( Note, tanks are buried within 100 ft of the creek. )

Second there is a report showing TCE uphill on the creek by the tunnel. The only explanation I can see is that it has come from the reservoir, which sits above the area to the right with a steep slope running to the creek. This situation has the potential of TCE pollution on the whole steep slope from about 30 feet from the train tracks down to Bishops. Which O'Neil wants to use to fill the bottom in with ?

Years back we gave the telephone number for (b) (6) a past company Maintenance Foreman at Bishop's to the DEP, and advised them that the company took all old unmarked chemicals from our Met Lab. And had a local contractor bring out a backhoe out and bury on the hill. Did they ever follow up on that and have them removed ?

Next we have several underground Fuel storage tanks on the property, and again Who is going to pay and have them removed ?

We also have a hidden pipe that runs from your HOT SPOT outside of Plant 5 ( Old Armco Building ) right down and bridged over the creek, which is leaking something into the creek still till to this day.

Next we also have question as to how OR if the vandalized transformers were ever cleaned up ?

Seeing the State has known of problems as far back as 1972, TCE wells started being drilled in 1981, It has been way too long with little clean up taking place at the location.

We would like to see you the DEP bring to the table the past owners and do a COMPLETE cleanup of the TCE in and under the bedrock, before any consideration is given at all to build there. Better yet once cleaned up to use a public open space area for the community..

How did we go from a light industrial site to residential condo's. From hearing from people in the village that spoke to Dustin Armstrong they said they were told all the TCE might never get completely cleaned up. If this is the case then no one should ever live above this site, for look at all that have died from cancer that just worked there 40 hours a week. We would love to see a Health Survey done on the workers of Bishops. I can provide the names and SS#'s of employees going back to people that started in 1940.

Remember this is in Great Valley a community made of steep slopes, that is why there are laws against building on these slopes, that O'Neil wants to have changed to build. Please preserve this land and please no public tax money to help him clean up. To change these current laws not to build on steep slopes could be a disaster for our community down the road. Please leave these laws in place...

Remember Pennsylvania's environmental Rights Amendment says:

Article 1, Section 27 of the Pennsylvania Constitution Promises

...a right to clean air, pure water and to the preservation of the natural, scenic, historic and esthetic values of the environment. PA's public natural resources are the common property of all the people, including generations to come. As trustee of these Resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people

Last if you feel you are unable to get this cleaned up, then please transfer over to the EPA since they already have a document number for this ( PAD181868309 ) And they can then force the past owners to do a COMPLETE cleanup..

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